

# SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA

County of San Diego

DATE: March 28, 2005      DEPT. 71      REPORTER A: Peter Stewart      CSR# 3184  
PRESENT HON. RONALD S. PRAGER      REPORTER B:      CSR#  
JUDGE

CLERK: K. Sandoval

BAILIFF: E. Rodriquez

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COORDINATION PROCEEDINGS  
NO. JCCP 4221  
CASES 1,11,111, AND 1V

TITLE [Rule 1550(b)]  
NATURAL GAS

10:30 a.m. This being the time previously set for **Oral Argument** on El Paso Settlement/Access to Claim Forms and Motion for leave to serve interrogatories on certain unnamed class members Court convenes with counsel as noted on Exhibit "A" which is attached herinto and incorporated herein as though set forth in full. Seated at Counsel table are:

John Shaffer of O'Donnell Shaeffer Mortimer  
Pierce O'Donnell of O'Donnell Shaeffer Mortimer  
Mark E. Weber of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher  
Robert E. Cooper of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher  
James P. Fogelman of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher

Court and counsel discuss how to access the tentative rulings.

10:40 a.m. Court is in recess to allow counsel time to review the tentative ruling.

10:50 a.m. Court reconvenes with counsel and all parties as noted above present. Court and counsel discuss discovery issues in both the core and non-core members and bifurcation of the trial.

11:30 a.m. Court is in recess.

11:35 a.m. Court reconvenes with counsel and all parties as noted above present. Court and counsel continue discussion of discovery issues on both core and non-core members.

12:20 p.m. Court is in recess for lunch.

1:20 p.m. Court reconvenes with counsel and all parties as noted above present. Court and counsel continue discussion of discovery issues and scheduling. Plaintiffs will file a redlined copy of the Amended Complaint.

The Court sets the following dates for Demurrer:

Defendants to file and serve by April 8, 2005

Opposition file and serve by April 11, 2005

Reply April 18, 2005

Ruling April 25, 2005

Oral Argument April 26, 2005 at 10:00 a.m.

Counsel to file and serve Stipulation regarding streamlined version of the trial issues by April 18, 2005.

The Court confirms its telephonic ruling without prejudice; the Defendants may make the request for discovery at some later time. The Stipulation regarding trial issues will also include a paragraph regarding Defendants discovery issue.

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